

A

GENERAL INDEX

TO THE

R E P O R T S

FROM

COMMITTEES

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

1715—1801;

Forming the Series of Fifteen Volumes of Reports.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be Printed.

1803.

P R E F A C E.

THE Collection of Reports from Committees of the House of Commons, now comprised into Fifteen Volumes, was begun in 1773, by collecting into four volumes such Reports as had been printed in a detached shape, but were not inserted in the Journals of the House*. The selection of Reports, in continuation of these four volumes, and constituting the bulk of this Collection, was made in 1803, under the direction of a Committee of the House, appointed to take that subject into consideration, together with the state of the printed Journals.

Commons Journals,
Vol. 24. p. 385.

Ibid. Vol. 58. p. 623.

In their Report, the Committee have fully stated the Arrangement of this selection; and their observations, while they show the object in view in forming it, at the same time characterize the nature of these volumes.

*Arrangement of the
Selection.*

"The value and importance," say the Committee, "of the Reports contained in the four printed volumes, as well as of those specified in the above Arrangement †, is very generally known and admitted; but the benefit to be derived from them will be greatly enhanced, if directions shall be given for preparing and printing with them a well-digested INDEX of the whole ‡."

*Extract from Report
of Committee, 1803.*

In

* *Lane, 28th die Julii, 1773*.—Ordered, That 1500 Copies of the several Reports from Committees of this House, which have been printed by order of the House, and are not inserted in the Journals of this House, be re-printed; together with the several Reports which have been made to this House in this Session of Parliament, from the Committee of Secrecy, appointed to inquire into the State of the East India Company; and also the several Reports which have been made to this House in this Session of Parliament from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Nature, State, and Condition of the East India Company, and of the British Affairs in the East Indies.—*Journals*, Vol. 24. p. 385.

† See this "Arrangement," l. p. *in* *supra*.

‡ *"Salutis, 30^a die Julii, et Lane, 1^a die Augusti, 1803*.—Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, That it may be proper to print Eleven Volumes of Reports, in addition to the Four which have been already printed; together with a General Index to the whole Fifteen Volumes of which the Series will then consist."—*Journals*, Vol. 58. p. 623.

Plan of this General
Index.

In forming this GENERAL INDEX it has been endeavoured to bring the subjects of these Volumes before the view of the Reader in a perspicuous order, leaving the detail of particulars to be dwelt upon at option, rather than rendering the study of such particulars necessary to a previous comprehension of the whole.

What inconveniences
avoided, and facilities
applied.

Contemplating this object, it appeared not likely to be obtained by a general or promiscuous alphabetical arrangement; for by that method, all relative connection of the subjects, and chronological dependance, would be lost, and a mass of undigested matter would forbiddingly present itself to the mind. It is hoped these inconveniences are avoided by the plan adopted.

PRINCIPAL HEADS.

An alphabetical series of PRINCIPAL HEADS has been formed, which indicate, generally, the character and leading features of every Report. Under these heads, the subject matter, and various particulars detailed in each Report, are arranged in the order of an Index; and where such arrangement could not be adopted, either from the *entire* nature of the subject, or its *brevity*, the substance has been digested under such divisional heads as seemed best calculated to express the contents. Under each principal head, a brief Analysis is inserted, giving at one view the leading subjects to be found under that head; and wherever the same subject has been treated of in *other* Reports, references have been introduced, either to the principal or subdivisional heads.

ANALYSIS.

DIGEST.

In order that the mind might be more readily led to the knowledge of the contents of each Report, or subject of each Index, in most cases a short Digest has been made, and introduced immediately after the main head. The DATES, likewise, have been carefully inserted, as many facts derive much of their importance from their chronological relation; which, if omitted, the inquirer would often be needlessly sent in search of what would be inapplicable to his views, from the irrelevancy of the period.

DATES.

With

With the hope of unfolding, succinctly, yet perspicuously, the important contents of the Reports of the House of Commons, it has been attempted to compile an ANALYTICAL TABLE of their subjects. Nineteen Heads have been selected, comprising all the matters which, in these Reports, have come under the investigation of Committees of the House*. Under these heads, the particular contents of each are specified, and references made to those parts of the Index where the subject is more fully detailed. Which heads are as follow :

I. Legislation and Jurisprudence.	XI. East India Affairs.
II. Ecclesiastical Matters.	XII. Records and Public Libraries.
III. History.	XIII. Public Works, as Harbours, &c.
IV. Army.	XIV. Scientific Subjects.
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VIII. Manufactures.	XVIII. Highways, &c.
IX. Revenue and Finance.	XIX. Miscellaneous.
X. Colonies.	

Necessity of an Analytical Table.

The plan observed in forming the selection of the early volumes, and which it was thought proper, in some measure, to follow in making the continuation, excluded many Reports because they had already been printed in the Journals. These, in some instances, form part of a series, and are, in many cases, of the same, or of a kindred nature to those admitted into the selection. At the period when the first four volumes were ordered to be printed (A. D. 1773) the other Reports existing in the Journals were few, and so generally known as to be easily found by the inquirer: but the insertion of any particular Report in the Journals cannot now be so readily ascertained, so that it has been deemed expedient to reprint several of the Reports already printed in some of the Journal volumes, thereby making this collection more complete, and rendering unnecessary the labour of further research. Few indeed would think of searching at all beyond a collection of fifteen volumes, for what those volumes might be supposed to comprise.

Reference to important Reports already printed in the Journals.

To obviate this inconvenience, the compiler has prefixed to this General Index, *A List of such Reports as are printed in the Journals,*

List of Reports not in this Collection.

* It may be here observed, that there are other Reports, not made by Committees, which do not form any part of this collection. These are, Reports laid before Parliament from Commissioners, appointed either in pursuance of Acts of Parliament, or immediately by the Crown. By lapse of time some have lost much of their interest, but others remain permanently useful. Of these, the Reports on the *Lead Revenue of the Crown*, and from the Commissioners on *Winds and Forests*, stand conspicuous; affording a fund of information relative to Crown Property, as well as to the interests of the Subject, and considerable knowledge respecting the nature of the Forests in this country, and the growth of Timber-trees for the use of the Royal Navy.

Journals, but do not form part of this Collection, and which are interesting, or bear affinity to those inserted in the present volumes. The titles in this List are alphabetically arranged, and a brief Abstract of each Report is added. References to them are likewise made in the General Index, where similar subjects occur.

General Index,
Analysis, and List.

Thus, by means of this GENERAL INDEX, the ANALYSIS accompanying it, and the LIST of REPORTS printed in the Journals above-mentioned, a perspicuous view is presented of every important document, bearing upon any given point, which has proceeded from Committees of the House of Commons.

In the performance of this work, every endeavour has been made to render it complete; not resting upon individual labour, but resorting to other assistance. In the important subjects of the PUBLIC RECORDS, the knowledge of the Rev. Mr. Horne, late of the Chapter-house, Westminster, has been called in aid; and the careful industry of Mr. Millard, of the Surrey Institution, has left few things connected with the useful ARTS and MANUFACTURES unattended to. Indeed, it has been the aim of the Compilers not to omit any thing that might become the object of research, and which might lead to acquaintance with any of the subjects contained in this Collection of the Reports of the House of Commons.

May 1820.

LUKE HARRARD & SONS.

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I.

ARRANGEMENT
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1715—1801;

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1751. - - May 24.	Ministers of the Church of Scotland;—Laws relating thereto - - - - -	Colonel Haldane.
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1755. - - February 18.	Sheep;—practice of Jobbers, &c.—See also vol. xi. - - - - -	Robert Vyner, Esq.
1757. - - February 25.	Rye and Dover Harbours;—Improvement of - - - - -	George Onslow, Esq.
1758. - - March 21.	Milford Haven;—fortifying and securing the Entrance - - - - -	Charles Townsend, Esq.
1758. - - May 26.	Weights and Measures;—Endeavours to ascertain the Standards of; Statutes relating to; Experiments to establish Uniformity - - - - -	Lord Caryfort.
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1771. - - April 30.	Orders of The House;—Obstructions to, and Contempt of, The Speaker's Warrant on apprehension of Miller, a bookseller in London, &c. - - - - -	Welbore Ellis, Esq.
1771. - - May 6.	His Majesty's Navy;—State of Timber used for, and means by which a better supply may be obtained - - - - -	R th Hon ^{ble} W ^m Despard.
1772. - - December 21.	Bread, Assize of; Laws relating thereto.—See also vol. ix. - - - - -	Thomas Pennell, Esq.
1773. - - April 29.	Assay-offices;—Irregularities and Inconveniences in the Operations of, in London, Chester, Exeter, and Newcastle-upon-Tyne, &c. - - - - -	Thomas Gilbert, Esq.
1773. - - May 25.	Linen Trade; state of, &c.—See also vol. ii. and vol. x. - - - - -	Lord Frederick Campbell.
1772. - - May 26.	East India Affairs;—First Report from Committee on the state of;—(1.) Charters; Commissioners Transactions in 1756, &c.—(2.) Investment; Revolution in favour of Meer Jaffer, 1760, &c. - - - - -	Colonel Burgoyne.
1772. - - May 26.	- - - - - Second Report;—Conduct of the Company's Servants; Lord Clive, Sir Thomas Rumbold, &c.; and Country Trade, &c. - - - - -	Colonel Burgoyne.
1773. - - April 8.	- - - - - Third Report;—Transactions in Bengal, from 1757 to 1765; War between the Company and Coxim Ally Cawn, &c. - - - - -	General Burgoyne.
1773. - - April 21.	- - - - - Fourth Report;—Trade in Salt, Beetles, nut, and Tobacco; Free Merchants, &c. - - - - -	General Burgoyne.
1773. - - June 18.	- - - - - Fifth Report;—Receipt of 5 Lacs of Rupees by Lord Clive - - - - -	General Burgoyne.

Vol. IV.

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Date.		
1772. - - December 7.	Nine Reports from the Committee of Secrecy, on the State of the East India Company's Affairs - - - - -	Mr. Alderman Harley.
1773. - - June 30.		

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1781. - - - May 8.	Eleven Reports;—on the Petitions of certain Agents for the British Subjects resident in India; and of Warren Hastings, Philip Francis, and Edward Wheeler, esquires; and of the East India Company; relative to the Administration of Justice in India;—1774—1781.	Richard Smith, Esq.
1782. - - - February 5.		
1782. - June 6. 12. 18.		
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June 13. 25.—July 10.	Two Reports;—respecting certain Sums due from the Company to the Public; on Grants made to the Company of Bengal, Bahar, and Orissa;—War in India, &c.	Sir Henry Fletcher, Bart.
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1781. - - - June 27.	Six Reports from the Committee of Secrecy, appointed to inquire into the Causes of the War in the Carnatic;—commencing with the appointment of Sir Hector Munro to the Command of the Army, and retrospectively viewing transactions, from 1765 to 1781.	Lord Advocate of Scotland, (Henry Dundas, Esq.)
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1774. - - - June 14.	Floor from Wheat;—methods practised in the making of	Thomas Pennell, Esq.
1783. - - - April 16.	Corn and Grain;—Importation and Exportation of, 21 Geo. III. - - - - -	Lord Mayor of London, (R th Hon ^{ble} Nath ^l Newnham.)
1783. - - - May 28.	Another Report, from the same Committee - - -	George Despater, Esq.
1795. - November 16.	Corn;—Five Reports from the Select Committee, on the High Price of - - -	R th Hon ^{ble} Dudley Ryder.
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1800. - Feb. 10. Mar. 6.	Bread and Grain;—respecting the Assize of Bread; (See also vol. iii.) and the deficiency of the Crop of 1799 - - - - -	Lord Hawkesbury.
1800. Nov. 24. to Dec. 31.	Provisions;—Six Reports on the High Price of - - -	R th Hon ^{ble} Dudley Ryder.
1801. - - - February 12.	D ^r - - - First Report - - - - -	Henry Banks, Esq.
1801. - - - February 23.	D ^r - - - Second Report - - - - -	R th Hon ^{ble} Dudley Ryder.
1801. - - - February 24.	D ^r - - - Third Report - - - - -	Henry Banks, Esq.
1801. - - - March 20.	D ^r - - - Fourth Report - - - - -	Isaac Hawkins Browne, Esq.
1801. - - - April 2.	D ^r - - - Fifth Report - - - - -	Mr. Secretary at War, (R th Hon ^{ble} Charles Yorke.)
1801. - - - May 22.	D ^r - - - Sixth Report - - - - -	Lord Glenherrie.
1801. - - - June 24.	D ^r - - - Seventh Report - - - - -	
1802. - - - March 26.	Corn Trade between Great Britain and Ireland - - -	Sir John Sinclair.
1795. - December 23.	Waste Lands;—on the Inclosure and Improvement of	Sir Cecil Wray, Bart. Thomas Gilbert, Esq.
1797. - - - April 27.		
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1775. April 11. May 11.	Poor Relief and Settlement.—Two Reports - - -	Sir Cecil Wray, Bart. Thomas Gilbert, Esq.
1776. - Feb. 21. May 21.	Poor.—Abstract of Returns from Overseers respecting;—	Owen Seaburns Breckon, Esq.
1777. - - - May 15.	Three Reports - - - - -	
1778. - - - May 1.	Parish Poor Children;—state of, in London and Middlesex - - - - -	Thomas Gilbert, Esq.
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1785. - - - April 26.	Pilchard Fisheries - - - - -	Sir William Lemon, Bart.
1786. - - - May 5.	British Fisheries - - - - -	Henry Bonfoy, Esq.
1785. - - - May 11.	Four Reports, on the same Subject - - -	Henry Bonfoy, Esq.
1785. June 27. July 14.	British Herring Fisheries—Three Reports - - -	R th Hon ^{ble} Dudley Ryder.
1786. - - - February 22. to June 8.	Four Reports, on the same Subject - - -	Nicholas Vanittart, Esq.
1798. April 5. June 27.	Newfoundland Trade;—Two Reports - - -	R th Hon ^{ble} Dudley Ryder.
1798. - - - December 22.	Salt Duties;—Two Reports - - -	Mich ^l Anglo Taylor, Esq.
1799. - - - March 19.	Linens and Hempen Manufacture of Ireland, and Flax Seed;—Acts of Parliament relating thereto.— <i>See also vol. ii. and vol. iii.</i>	Nicholas Vanittart, Esq.
1800. May 12. June 30.	Coal Trade;—Two Reports - - -	William Manning, Esq.
1793. - - - March 26.	Copper Mines, and Copper Trade - - -	Lord Hansburg.
1793. April 24. June 17.	Life-Boat; Mr. Greathead's Invention - - -	Rowland Bardon, Esq.
1801. - - - June 18. 30.	Sierra Leone;—on the state of that Colony - - -	Lord Viscount Castlereagh.
1802. - - - May 10.	Turnpike Roads;—Four Reports.— <i>See also vol. ii.</i>	Mr. Alderman Lushington.
1800. June 23. Dec. 3.	Public Highways and Turnpike Roads;—Act 13 & 14 Geo. III. - - -	Rowland Bardon, Esq.
1799. - - - May 7.	Naval Volunteers;—Encouragement to be given to Prisoners of War in the King's House at Winchester;—State of their Health, &c. - - -	Sir Herbert Mackworth, B.
1802. - - - March 31.	Treasonable Conspiracy in Ireland - - -	Charles Brett, Esq.
1796. April 27. May 3.	Seditious Societies and Treasonable Conspiracies - - -	Mr. Secretary Dundas.
1798. - - - April 24. 26.		R th Hon ^{ble} Thomas Pelham.
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1782. - - - July 5.	Annuities;—Amount of Sums raised by, towards the Supply, between January 1776 and April 1782 - - -	Thomas Pitt, Esq.
1786. - - - March 21.	Public Income and Expenditure;—on different branches thereof - - -	R th Hon ^{ble} W. W. Grenville.
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1797. April 21. Nov. 17.	On Smuggling, and other illicit Practices used in defrauding the Revenue.— <i>See also vol. i.</i> - - -	Charles Bragge, Esq.
1802. - - - March 15.	Illicit Exportation of Wool, Live Sheep, Worsted and Yarn - - -	R th Hon ^{ble} Charles Bragge.
1783. - - - December 24.	Distilleries in Scotland;—on the Laws relating thereto - - -	Right Hon ^{ble} W ^m Eden.
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1798. - - - June 26.	Revenue, Debt, and Expenditure, for 1797; 23. 24. - Expenditure: Civil Establishment; 25. to 30. - - Expenditure: Military Establishment; 31. to 36. -	Charles Abbot, Esq.
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1796. - - - May 13.	Temporary Laws - - - - -	Charles Abbot, Esq.
1802. - - - March 31.	Expired and Expiring Laws of the United Kingdom -	Henry Alexander, Esq.
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Reports of the House of Commons.

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1. Conspiracy to establish the Pretender on the Throne of England.
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1802.

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Customs.

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Report from the Committee appointed to inquire into the FRAUDS AND ABUSES of the CUSTOMS, to the Prejudice of Trade, and Diminution of the Revenue; dated 7 June 1733, vol. i. p. 601.

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Report relating to the Sale of the Forfeited Estate of *James late Earl of Derwentwater*, and invested in His Majesty, for the use of the Public; dated 22 March 1732. Vol. I. p. 351.

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Two Reports on the DISTILLERY in different parts of SCOTLAND, and on the best mode of levying and collecting the DUTIES upon the DISTILLATION of CORN SPIRITS in SCOTLAND; severally dated (1.) 11 June 1798; Vol. XL p. 319; (2.) 12 July 1799. Vol. XL p. 804.

CHIEF SUBJECTS:

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Of wheat from Canada	30,000
Rice, equivalent to	630,000
Supplies of the starch manufactory	40,000
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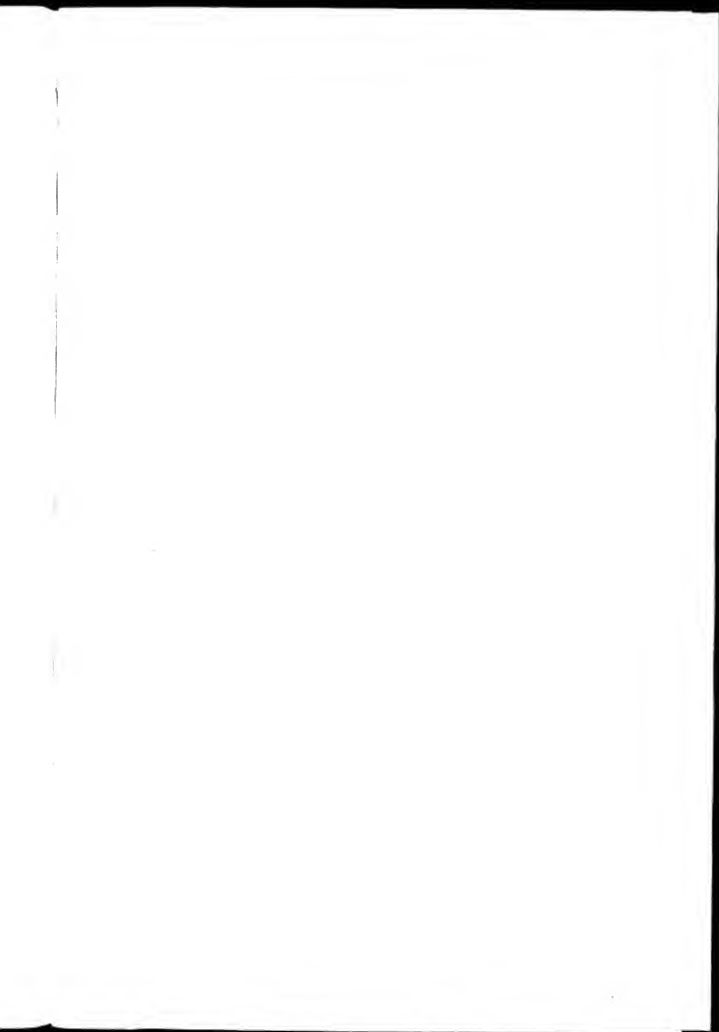
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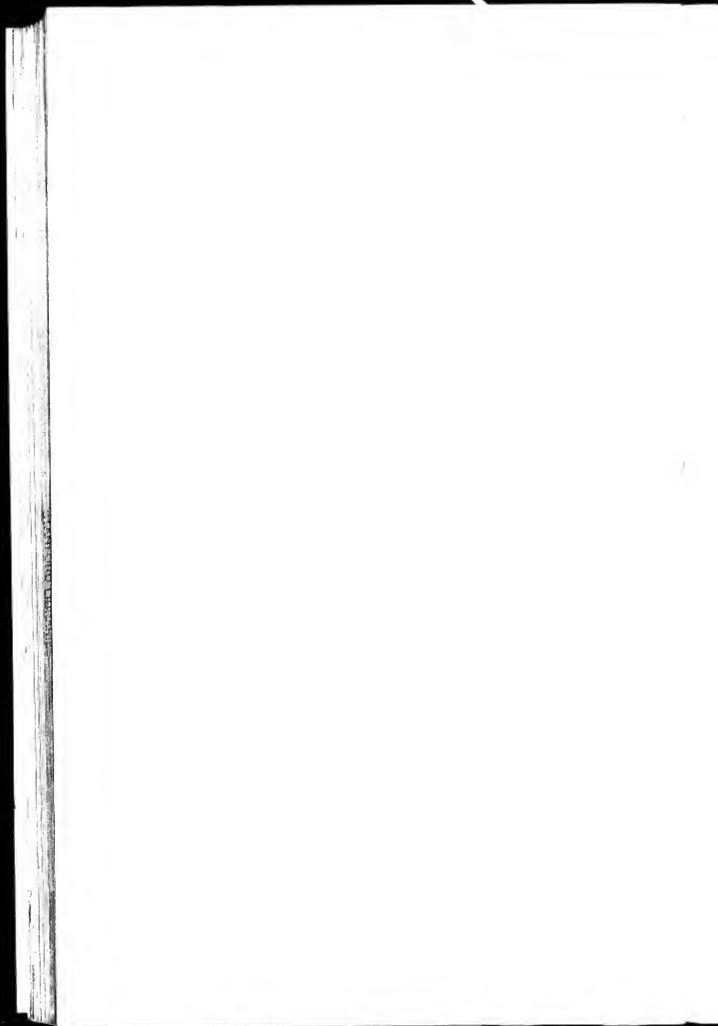
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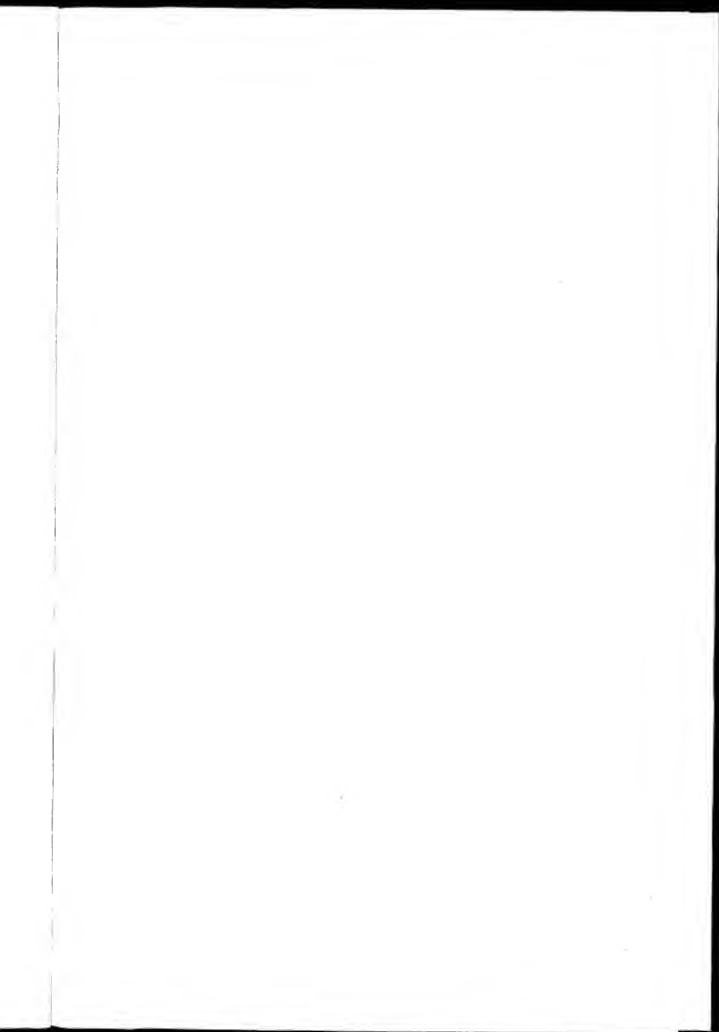
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